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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE TESTING OF CANNABIS AND MANUFACTURED CANNABIS PRODUCTS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to require the 2 office of medical cannabis control and regulation of the 3 department of health to implement a post-market testing program to verify the labeling on cannabis and manufactured cannabis 4 5 products and monitor the shelf lives of cannabis and 6 manufactured cannabis products. SECTION 2. Section 329D-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 7 8 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows: 9 The department shall establish and enforce standards 10 for laboratory-based testing of cannabis and manufactured 11 cannabis products for content, contamination, and consistency; 12 provided that in establishing and enforcing these standards, the 13 department shall: Review and take guidance from the testing programs and 14 standards utilized in other jurisdictions; 15 16 (2) Consider the impact of the standards on the retail

cost of the product to the qualifying patient;

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1	(3)	Review and take guidance from the testing programs and
2		standards for pesticides under the regulations of the
3		United States Environmental Protection Agency;
4	(4)	Consider processes that may allow cannabis or
5		manufactured cannabis products that fail testing
6		standards to be remediated;
7	(5)	For the testing for microbiological impurities,
8		consider the benefits of organically grown cannabis
9		that features the use of bacteria in lieu of
10		pesticides; [and]
11	(6)	Include permission for qualifying patients and primary
12		caregivers to obtain testing services directly from
13		certified laboratories on the island where the
14		qualifying patient and primary caregiver reside [+];
15		and
16	(7)	Purchase cannabis and manufactured cannabis products
17		from dispensaries randomly for the purpose of
18		conducting post-market testing of cannabis and
19		manufactured cannabis products. The testing shall be
20		conducted to:
21		(A) Verify labeling on cannabis and manufactured
22		cannabis products; and

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1	(B) Monitor the shelf lives of cannabis and		
2	manufactured cannabis products."		
3	SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the medical		
4	cannabis registry and regulation special fund the sum of		
5	\$ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal		
6	year 2024-2025 for the implementation of the post-marketing		
7	testing program as required by this Act.		
8	The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of		
9	health for the purposes of this Act.		
10	SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed		
11	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.		
12	SECTION 5. This Act, upon its approval, shall take effect		
13	on July 1, 2024.		
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15	INTRODUCED BY:		
16	BY REQUEST		

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Report Title:

Department of Health; Cannabis and Manufactured Cannabis Products; Post-market Testing; Appropriation

Description:

Requires the Department of Health to implement a post-market testing program to verify the labeling on cannabis and manufactured cannabis products and monitor the shelf lives of cannabis and manufactured cannabis products.

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JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT:

Health

TITLE:

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PURPOSE:

To require the Department of Health to implement a post-market testing program to

verify the labeling on cannabis and

manufactured cannabis products and monitor the shelf lives of cannabis and manufactured

cannabis products.

MEANS:

Amend section 329D-8(a), Hawaii Revised

Statutes.

JUSTIFICATION:

The post-market testing will promote better quality control of cannabis and manufactured cannabis products for qualifying patients.

Impact on the public: The bill would improve the product safety of cannabis and manufactured cannabis products by requiring the Department of Health to conduct post-

market testing.

Impact on the department and other agencies:

None.

GENERAL FUND:

None.

OTHER FUNDS:

\$_____ from the Medical Cannabis Registry and Regulation Special Fund.

PPBS PROGRAM

DESIGNATION:

HTH-560.

OTHER AFFECTED

AGENCIES:

None.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2024.